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JOHN A. MCCONE, DIRECTOR OF THE CIA, MET WITH THE SENATE PREPAREDNESS SUBCOMMITTEE TODAY.

CHAIRMAN JOHN C. STENNIS, D-MISS., SAID HE HOPED TO MAKE PUBLIC A "SANITIZED"--SECURITY CENSORED--VERSION OF MCCONE'S TESTIMONY.

MCCONE BRUSHED PAST NEWSMEN INTO THE OFFICE OF THE SENATE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

NO ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MEETING HAD BEEN MADE BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE, BUT ITS SITE AND TIME BECAME KNOWN TO NEWSMEN IN ADVANCE, AND A FEW WERE WAITING WHEN MCCONE APPEARED.

STENNIS HAD APPARENTLY NOTIFIED SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS JUST BEFORE THE MEETING DURING A VOTE ON THE SENATE FLOOR WHERE HE WAS OBSERVED GESTURING IN THE DIRECTION OF THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OFFICE.

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MCCONE TOLD THE SENATE INVESTIGATORS TODAY THAT "A RELATIVELY SMALL AMOUNT OF SOVIET MILITARY EQUIPMENT HAS REACHED CUBA IN THE PERIOD SINCE THE QUARANTINE" LAST FALL.

"THERE REMAIN LARGE QUANTITIES OF SOVIET TANKS, GUNS, AIRCRAFT AND TROOPS, MOST OF WHICH ARRIVED BEFORE THE QUARANTINE," MCCONE SAID.

THOSE WERE THE CONCLUSIONS REACHED IN THE UNCLASSIFIED VERSION OF A STATEMENT GIVEN BY MCCONE TO THE PREPAREDNESS SUBCOMMITTEE. HE TESTIFIED BEHIND CLOSED-DOORS.

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IN ADDITION TO STENNIS, SEN. HENRY M. JACKSON, D-WASH., STUART SYMINGTON, D-MO., MARGARET CHASE SMITH, R-MAINE, LEVERETT SALTONSTALL, R-MASS., AND BARRY M. GOLDWATER, R-ARIZ., SHOWED UP FOR THE SESSION--THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S FIRST IN ITS INVESTIGATION OF THE CUBA BUILD-UP.

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